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A Good King—Pedro V., the late king of Portugal, made himself greatly beloved by the care with which he sought to have justice done throughout his dominions, and the devotion he showed for the welfare of his people:

"When an infectious disease appeared in Lisbon and drove all out who could get away, the courtiers vainly implored the young king to seek safety in flight. He resolutely remained to superintend the efforts made to save life, and by his example in the hospitals and elsewhere, inspired the physicians with energy and his people with equal devotion. He showed courage not only in facing death, but in opposing the routine of his Ministers. Shortly after his accession he sent for a list of prisoners in the kingdom. A list was given him of such as the authorities thought worthy of his Majesty's notice. He at once demanded a complete list, declaring that he did not dare overlook his meanest subject. The administrator of a petty district having died, his son asked for the place. The King was urged not to promise, because, said his Ministry, 'the young man is too young—only twenty-five.' 'How so?' replied the King, 'I am much younger—and yet am thought capable of governing Portugal. Let the appointment be confirmed.' Great things were justly hoped of this young King, who was virtuous, energetic, and possessed of common sense."

NOTABLE DEATH.—London papers record the death of the man who saved the Queen's life:
John Turner, aged 54, an imbecile inmate of the workhouse, who about three weeks since accidentally fell down some steps and sustained injuries which caused his death. He was formerly a victualler. On the 6th of July, 1837, the four horses of the Queen's carriage, containing Her Majesty and the Prince Leiningan, took fright on the top of Highgate Hill, and dashed down the steep. Turner, at the risk of his life, got the wheel horses by the head just in time to enable Her Majesty to jump out. On the following day deceased attended Buckingham Palace, in answer to a summons from Sir H. Whately, who gave him £10, and requested him to put up the Royal Arms to commemorate the event, which he did, costing £20. He was also informed that Her Majesty would always be his friend. He had since made constant applications to Prince Albert, but had no further recognition of his services. This so preyed upon his mind that at last he became an imbecile and an inmate of the workhouse.

A HINT TO YOUNG WOMEN.—A sensible, prudent man knows how to estimate outside adornings and artificial smiles at their real worth, which is, in fact, very low. He knows that the gay, dressy flirt often makes a slatternly wife, and a still worse mother—that the girl who tries to make herself so very agreeable and bewitching while angling for a husband, frequently turns out a very vixen when she has caught her fish; that the attractions she exhibits in public are, in most instances, the very reverse that are to be seen at home; in short, that though she may be such an one as many young men love to flirt with, she is the very last whom prudence would select for a wife. A female whose sole recommendation is a pretty face and a showy dress, may excite a little attention; but when its discovered that the attraction is external, and all is emptiness within, then the prudent man shies off, saying to himself, "This is not the girl to make a wife of."

CARDINAL ANTONELLI AND THE POLISH LADY.—Rome is full of gossip over a trick played upon Cardinal Antonelli by a Polish lady:

His Eminence, being probably anxious to investigate the Polish question, became an assiduous visitor at her house, and left nothing undone to make the stay of the fair exile at the Papal capital as agreeable as possible. The world, however, is disposed to be satirical, and therefore the Cardinal kept all a profound secret, and all would probably have remained so but for the fact that the fair Polish lady suddenly disappeared, taking with her jewelry and other valuables to the amount of some £20,000. The Cardinal swears they are his property, and has complained to the police. The fair fugitive was accompanied in the flight by a French officer.

A daughter-in-law and daughter of the late British novelist, G. P. R. James, opened a select school in Detroit, Michigan, on the 1st inst.

SPURGEON.—Mr. Spurgeon is coming out in a new line, and devoting his Tabernacle to somewhat novel uses:

A few weeks ago he gave a facetious lecture on the gorilla in this building, which was only recently opened as the house of God. On the table from which the reverend gentleman preached (for he has no pulpit), was exhibited a monster stuffed specimen of the gorilla, brought over by du Chaillu. Amid peals of laughter, Spurgeon described the habits, etc., of this forbidding animal, occasionally spicing his remarks with passages of scripture. For example, looking steadily at the dead specimen, he said: "Behold me and you there is a great gulf fixed," and so on. The lecture was so decided a success that Spurgeon determined to try again, and so announced to lecture on "Shrews, and how to tame them." Several illustrations of shrews were given, from Xantippe to Mrs. Wesley. Copious extracts were read from Shakespeare's well known play, and the audience was tickled by anecdotes gathered by the reverend lecturer in his immediate circle. The whole performance was highly amusing, and the Tabernacle rang with applause.

THE BEST OF SERVANTS.—If you would wish to have a good servant, one that is faithful, honest and attentive, and one whom you will never quarrel with, one that will never bother you for wages, nor drink your wine behind your back, one that will never object to wear the clothes you have been wearing yourself nor make a fuss over what meals you give him, one that will not grumble if you keep him up half of the night, one to whom you could at any time give with a clear conscience the very best of characters, one who will never wish to leave you, but would rather be remained with you all the days of his life; then you must be *Your Own Servant*—and that is best achieved by your diligent learning how on all occasions to help yourself.

AN OLD SOLDIER.—There is now living in Paris a venerable centurarian, named M. Ignace Gallot, who was born at Villars St. Marcelin (Haute-Marne) in 1758. M. Gallot served 22 years in the army, took part in many battles, and was present at the disastrous retreat from Moscow. Having invested money in an unfortunate enterprise for the navigation of the Sao, he made a journey to the Haute-Saone last month to acquire the sad certainty that he had lost 40,000fr. M. Gallot is still strong and hearty. The Emperor has granted him a pension of 1200fr. a year.

AN IRISHMAN in great fright and haste, rushed into Dr. Abernethy's room, and exclaimed, "Bedad, the boy Tim has swallowed a rat!"
"Then, bedad," said the doctor, "tell the boy Tim to swallow a cat!"

FOR COUGHS, COLDS, ASTHMA, or BRONCHITIS, Jayne's Expectoant is the well known standard remedy, at all times certain and reliable.
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BRANDY.—Hennessy's Pale, in 1/4 casks; Martell's

WHISKY.—Finest Jamaica, in 1/4 casks;
WHISKY.—Scotch and Irish, in bulk;
WHISKY.—In case, Highland, Malt, and Islay;
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EDGAR & AIME,
Wholesale Grocers and Commission Merchants,

HAVE REMOVED FROM THEIR OLD stand on Wharf street to the large building nearly opposite, at the foot of Yates street.
City and British Columbia orders solicited.

EDGAR & AIME,
Wharf street, foot of Yates street, Victoria, V. I.

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Fire and Life Insurance Company
ESTABLISHED 1836.

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Money Loaned on Good Security,
ADVANCES MADE ON LIVE STOCK,
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In cases requiring a Power of Attorney, security will be furnished. Office, up stairs, cor. Yates and Langley streets, Victoria.
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MISCELLANEOUS.

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Steam Packet
Company's Agency,
For British Columbia & Vancouver Island.
OFFICE, MACDONALD & CO. BANKERS,
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THE ATTENTION OF SHIPPERS and passengers is respectfully solicited to the superior facilities the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company's Line affords for the speedy conveyance of Treasure, Goods and Passengers to and from England to British Columbia and Vancouver Island, in connection with the Pacific Mail Steamship Company's Vessels and the Panama Railroad. The superiority of the accommodation and entertainment on board the Royal Mail Steamers, together with the time occupied on the passage between England and Aspinwall direct, being so much shorter than by any other route, and the moderate rate of passage money, render this Company's steamers the CHEAPEST AND MOST EXPEDITIOUS MEANS OF TRANSIT, for passengers or for the forwarding of Goods and Treasure from Aspinwall to Europe. Under an arrangement with the PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP CO., Specific and Bullion can be conveyed to Europe from Aspinwall, by the Company's Mail Steam Packet Company at Panama. An arrangement also exists for the transmission by Express to and from Aspinwall of merchandise goods, Jewellery and Plate. Merchants in the North Pacific will find it to their advantage to instruct their correspondents to ship all their Higher Class Freight from Europe by this Line, and to those concerned in the trade with Havana, the facilities afforded by the Royal Mail Steam Packet Company's Steamers in conveying Merchandise, such as Cigars, &c., through to Panama, without the necessity of the intervention of an Agent, is especially convenient. Arrangements can be made for the shipment of Gold, Silver and Copper Ores, Furs, &c., to Europe from Aspinwall, by the Company's steamers, on favorable terms. Further information on the subject of Freight, Passage Money, and the general arrangement of the Company, will be furnished by the undersigned.

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Agent.
MACDONALD & CO.,
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SELL EXCHANGE drawn at sight or on time, on
Counts & Co., London.
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GOLD DUST and Bullion purchased at the highest rates.
ADVANCES MADE on gold dust left for assay at Government Assay Office, New Westminster; or sent for assay or coinage to United States Mint, San Francisco.
Collections made on reasonable terms, and a General Banking Business Transacted.
Victoria, V. I., Jan 17, 1862.

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PACKERS
OVER THE DOUGLAS & LILLOOET ROUTE
Are still Packing and Forwarding Goods to
LILLOOET.
And are Prepared to Forward 250 Tons per Month
AT MODERATE RATES.
All Goods marked in our Care will be received and forwarded without delay.
P. SMITH & Co.,
Packers, Douglas and Lillooet, B. C.
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Produce for Sale.
48,000 LBS. POTATOES;
2500 lbs WHEAT;
40 tons Swedish TURNIPS;
In lots to suit.
—ALSO—
25 tons Superior Timothy Hay.
Apply to Mr. FINLAYS N. Rock Bay, or to Mr. WALL, Hillside Farm.
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East side of Government st., bet. Yates & Johnson.
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WEBSTER & CO.,
WHOLESALE & RETAIL
Boot and Shoe Dealers,
YATES STREET, VICTORIA.

ARE NOW OPENING A SELECT STOCK of new and choice goods, and have constantly on hand and are receiving by every arrival from San Francisco and every selling vessel from England a full assortment of Ladies' Gentlemen's and Children's Boots, Shoes and Gaiters, and also, a full assortment of
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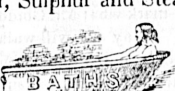
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Zwetschenwasser! Zwetschenwasser!

THE UNDERSIGNED HAS JUST RECEIVED a consignment of superior MUELLER WINE, as also of the best kind of ZWETSCHEN-WASSER.
JOSEPH LOEWEN,
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N. B.—Families can be supplied at reasonable prices.
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Agricultural and Horticultural Society
EXHIBITION.
The Agricultural and Horticultural Society will hold their second Exhibition in May next—of Early Farm and Garden Produce and the Industrial Arts.
By order, J. T. FIDWELL, Secretary.
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Sewing done by Machine.
THE UNDERSIGNED IS PREPARED to do all kinds of FAMILY SEWING.
DRESSER Made to Order.
At the corner of Gordon and Broughton streets.
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MRS. CLARKE.

FOR SALE—TO LET.

FOR SALE.
Medicated, Sulphur and Steam Baths.


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WITH EVERY CONVENIENCE NECESSARY to afford the utmost comfort to the public, together with a choice collection of furniture, the whole forming THE WELL KNOWN ESTABLISHMENT OF DR. GOSS, who being about to retire from business is willing to dispose of it at one third of the original cost.
N. B. There are two wells on the premises.
For further particulars apply to
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Commercial street, near Yates street.
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A COTTAGE TO LET, SITUATED on Quadra street, formerly occupied by the late Mr. Walls—furnished or unfurnished.
For further particulars apply at the Office of
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Government street.
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THE BUILDING KNOWN AS THE Royal Hotel, Esquimaux; also Restaurant adjoining.
Apply at the Office of
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THE FARM OF COLWOOD, in the District of Esquimaux, V. I., is hereby offered for Lease for one, two, or more years, with immediate entry, and at a moderate rent.
It contains 520 acres, well situated, and of which upwards of 200 acres have been under cultivation. The Farm is fenced. It has a good
DWELLING HOUSE,
With Garden attached;
SERVANTS' COTTAGES, and all other necessary Buildings, etc.; also, WATER FRONTAGE and a Landing Pier on Esquimaux Harbor, affording easy access at all times by water to Victoria, from which it is distant by land about 6 miles. Along with the Farm there will also be let, if desired by the Tenant, a Flock of SHEEP, on half shares.
The premises may be viewed any day; and further particulars will be supplied at Victoria by Dr. TOLMIE, or Mr. MUNRO.
Victoria, December 30, 1861.
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TO LET,
UNION WHARF AND WAREHOUSE; room for 400 tons of goods.
Apply to
REID & McDONALD.
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PUT UP BY
W. N. HORTON,
OLYMPIA, W. T.
THE SUBSCRIBER IS ENGAGED IN putting up in cans
Fresh Puget Sound Oysters,
For the Oregon and California Markets.
They are warranted an excellent article and those who have tried pronounce them superior to any of the Eastern Can Oysters.
Orders from Victoria and British Columbia are respectfully solicited.
W. N. HORTON,
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Mutual Marine Insurance Co.,
OF SAN FRANCISCO.

THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING BEEN appointed Agents for the above Company in the Colonies of Vancouver Island and British Columbia, beg to call the attention of Shipowners and Merchants thereto.
In all cases of loss or damage to vessels or cargo insured in this office, it will be necessary that the assured or their representatives immediately notify such to the Agents in Victoria, who have full instructions in regard to any losses that may occur, and will much facilitate the settlement of claims on the Company.
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DICKSON, CAMPBELL & CO.,
Agents.

Ex Prince of the Seas.
HAMS—Smoked, Belfast;
BACON—Do. do;
CHEESE—Cheshire, Cheddar and Wilt's;
BUTTER—Gould's double rose, Cork;
CANDLES—Price's (Belmont) Sperm;
TEA—Congou, Souchong, Etc;
ORLEANS, CORNBURG, Etc.
For sale by
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Langley street.
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Yates street.
offers for sale, cheap,
HARDWARE,
Agricultural Implements
Bar Iron, Steel & Iron-Mongery,
STOVE & TINWARE of every description.
Glass and Crockery Ware, Wood and Willow Ware &c. &c.
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THE UNDERSIGNED HAS IMPORTED the finest Mineral Teeth and Dental Materials that are to be found on the Pacific coast, and is ready to furnish sets or single teeth in the best style. Dentistry in all its branches will be attended to by
DR. ZEINER,
Office in the Drug Store, cor. Government and Yates streets.
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MR. COPLAND
WILL HOLD
A SALE BY AUCTION
EVERY WEDNESDAY,
At 12 o'clock.
AUCTION ROOMS, LANGLEY STREET,
ja12 1m

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THE UNDERSIGNED HAVING A COMPLETE stock on hand, is now prepared to execute any order therewith, on the shortest notice and on the most reasonable terms.
The Trade Supplied.
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Corner of Government and Broughton streets,
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Victoria.

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MARTIN BROS.,
WHOLESALE GROCERS
—AND—
PROVISION DEALERS,
FIREPROOF STORE, ROYAL HOTEL BUILDING
Wharf street, Victoria, V. I.
ARE CONSTANTLY IN RECEIPT OF Groceries and Provisions, which they offer for sale at low rates.
FOR SALE—200 doz. Fancy German Pipes.
Orders from the country promptly filled.
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Stone Warehouse, Wharf Street,

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10,000 LBS. of splendid Oregon Bacon, for sale at SPORBORG & GOLDSTONE'S.
150 CASES BOOTS AND SHOES for sale low at SPORBORG & GOLDSTONE'S.
50 CASES OREGON LARD for sale low at SPORBORG & GOLDSTONE'S, Yates' Fire Proof Warehouse, Wharf street.
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GLADWIN, TARBELL & CO.,
IMPORTERS, COMMISSION MERCHANTS
AND
WHOLESALE DEALERS IN
Groceries and Provisions,
Wharf street,
New Brick Building, opposite H. B. C. Wharf.
VICTORIA, V. I.
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NOW LANDING,
Ex "Prince of the Seas."
FROM LONDON,
ENGLISH DRUGS,
ENGLISH CHEMICALS,
FAIRBAIRN'S EAU DE COLOGNE (genuine), &c., &c.
Also, from the well-known manufactory of Messrs Blundell, Spence & Co.,
ENGLISH BOILED OIL,
ENGLISH WHITELEAD,
Of fine quality.
Also, received
BY EXPRESS FROM LONDON.
An elegant selection of
Silver-Mounted Smelling Bottles,
W. M. SEARBY,
Importing Druggist,
Government street.
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OYSTERS!
OYSTERS!! OYSTERS!!!
FRESH OYSTERS
—IN—
EVERY STYLE,
—AT THE—
ALBION SALOON,
Cor. Waddington Alley and Yates st.
ja9 1m

BRODRICK'S
COAL DEPOT,
ST. OURS' WHARF, Adjoining Post Office.
Families and Offices supplied with a
Superior Quality of Dry Screened Coal,
DELIVERED FREE OF CHARGE.

R. BRODRICK HAVING REPLENISHED his stock by purchases at Nanaimo, of lots selected by himself personally at No 3 Shaft, can guarantee to families the very best quality for domestic purposes.
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MUSIC
FOR THE MILLION!
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For sale in lots to suit, Wholesale and Retail, by
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ASSURANCE COMPANY,
(ESTABLISHED 1836.)
For Fire and Life Assurance
AT HOME AND ABROAD.
CAPITAL £1,259,760 STERLING.
The undersigned have been appointed Agents for Victoria.
JANION & GREEN,
Victoria, August, 1860.
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Shipping Agents and Custom House
BROKERS,
WHARF STREET, NEAR THE POST OFFICE.
VESSELS BOUGHT, SOLD AND CHARTERED.
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THE BRITISH COLONIST

TO ADVERTISERS.

All advertisements, unless the time for which they are to be inserted is specified, will be continued until ordered out, and so charged.

Friday Morning, Jan. 31, 1862.

End of the Session.

According to immemorial usage, everything has a beginning and an end. Though there were some doubts expressed that the present session of the Assembly would never end, we are happy to state that in all probability the session will end next Monday. We have no authority for saying so, except a general feeling to that effect among the members of the legislature. Unlike some unfortunate individuals cut short in the midst of their sins, insensible to their awful plight, the Assembly—of course we mean the majority—is fully sensible of the near approach of the end of the session, with their innumerable sins of omission and commission hanging like a millstone around their necks. Ever since last June, day by day, week by week, month by month, have sittings preceded and followed adjournments. Long after everybody in the country was tired out, their spasmodic legislation was continued. And assuming that the session is over, we may fairly assert that three weeks' legislation has not been done—certainly not thirty days' legislation—during a session of seven months. Fiddle-faddle, dilly-dally, meet and talk, talk and adjourn, and vice versa—thus by continually familiarizing the public with the follies of the legislators for a longer period than required, they have fulfilled the old adage, "Familiarity breeds contempt." Any stage-struck carpenter would have had better sense than to strut the stage eternally, or even seven months. A short piece and the quality of becoming invisible would produce the theatrical effect calculated to make respectable a very weak reputation for talent. But our Assembly has strutted up and down the senatorial stage mouthing little bits of practical common sense so long that printers, reporters, the public and "the rest of mankind," are sickened with the rant and tinsel of maiden statesmen, and wish the whole institution "to other side of Jordan," for a decent period at least. If prorogation should occur next Monday, and were the Rifle Corps to turn out as a special guard of honor, flanked by the Volunteer Artillery, it is barely possible that a few lazy spectators would attend to listen to a gracious dismissal from vice-regal lips—or possibly some, from a loyal feeling, might grace "the pomp and circumstance of royalty." But, in either case the number would be very few—few, because the public have—without giving a more substantial reason—become heartily sick of an Assembly parading themselves seven months before the country, when seven weeks ought to have supplied an excess of time.

There is just this about long sessions, they neither raise legislators in public estimation, nor are they favorable to sound legislation. No public advantage can arise. If during vacation, members were to consult the wishes of their constituents and the country and come prepared to legislate with their minds made up, quite a different result would be attained. Greater respect would be shown to the members; more interest would be taken in legislative matters, and a month or six weeks would terminate the session. If during the vacation any public exigency demanded the assembling of the Legislature, it could be done; but in no case could the frivolous questions that give rise to long sessions, ever be productive of extra sessions. It may be urged—as it has been—that members cannot spend a month or six weeks at a stretch even if a year's legislation could be completed in that time. And the reason urged for this, is that every member has his own business to attend to, and cannot relinquish the management of his own business for so long a period. Such being the case, the country has got to pay them—give them a per diem as in all other new countries possessing legislative institutions. If honor and pay will not cover private loss, there is nothing that will. Any how, short legislative sessions are a reform as much needed in the country as a new Attorney General or a wagon road to Nanaimo. And it is sincerely hoped that at the next opening of the House the reform will be inaugurated.

Gordon's Qualification.

VICTORIA, V. I., 30th January, 1862.
EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST:—In your issue of this date, in an article headed "Gordon's Qualification," appears the following statement: "It turns out that Mr. J. J. Cochrane lent Mr. Gordon a lot in Esquimalt Town to qualify on, and now that the property is required to make up the deficiency in the Treasury, Mr. Cochrane says he only lent it to him."

To this I beg to reply that it is utterly false. I lent Mr. Gordon no property whatever, either to qualify on or for any other purpose, and several weeks elapsed after Mr. Gordon's third election in December, 1860, and after he had taken the oath and his seat in the House of Assembly, before any transaction occurred relative to the property referred to.

Mr. Gordon, in the end of December, 1860, or beginning of January, 1861, asked me what property I knew of for sale in Esquimalt. Among others I mentioned I would sell one of my own lots there, and after some conversation he agreed to take Lot 17 and pay for it by instalments as he was able. This however he entirely failed to do, and consequently no loan or transfer of any kind was made.

I remain sir,
JOHN J. COCHRANE.

In answer to the above we have to state that a juror informs us that it was his im-

pression that Mr. Cochrane did say he loaned the property to Gordon, or used words tantamount. But without going far enough into particulars to-day to disturb any one's equanimity, we wish it to be carefully noted that Mr. Cochrane sells a lot without money, without conveyance—a promise only is given. How cheap! That is not all, and we are now following Mr. Cochrane's story. He says he sold lot No. 17 in Esquimalt town to Gordon. Further: that he sold it on the last of December, 1860, or early in January, 1861. Now mark: at one of these dates the lot was Mr. Cochrane's. At one of these dates it was transferred to Mr. Gordon. Now mark what Mr. Gordon does with lot No. 17. If any one will walk to the door of the Sheriff's office this morning and examine the list of voters for Esquimalt town they will see there set forth, as the voter's qualification of George Tomline Gordon, lot No. 17. We wish all concerned to take breathing time and recollect that the first fourteen days in January, 1861, was the time in which claims to vote were registered. As Mr. Gordon's vote is registered on lot 17, the inference is plain that Mr. Gordon's Esquimalt qualification as a voter, and the lot he purchased of Mr. Cochrane, are one and the same lot. But that is not all yet. According to the Franchise Act, Mr. Gordon, to register his vote, ought to have purchased the lot not later than October 14th. Instead of that he does so, without paying any money, in December or January. Consequently, he put in a false declaration—sent in a false claim to be registered. Of course Mr. Cochrane need not necessarily have known that Mr. G. had any such object in view, even though he did Mr. G. the friendly turn to sell him a lot "on time" just at that time. Giving Mr. C. the entire benefit which he claims in his letter, we at the same time call attention to the crime of sending in a false claim to be registered as a voter. By the Registration Voters' Act, 1859, it is nothing more nor less than perjury; and, from Mr. Cochrane's letter, that is what we would infer Mr. Gordon had done. So if we take Mr. C.'s version of the qualification question, the more he stirs it the more repulsive it is to the olfactories.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

WINTER EVENING LECTURES, 1861-2.

THE NINTH LECTURE OF THE series will be delivered in MOORE'S HALL, Yates street, on THURSDAY, the 11th of February, at 8 o'clock, P. M., by the Rev. DR. EVANS. Subject—"Chivalry as connected with European Civilization."

The Tenth Lecture will be delivered by Archdeacon Wright. Subject—"Recollections of a Military Campaign."

Admission 25 cents.
O. GLOVER, } Committee
G. M. SPIROAT, } of Lectures.
J. R. STEWART, }

NOTICE.

To all whom it may Concern.

A Large  Black Ox,

ABOUT 6 OR 7 YEARS OLD,

HAVING BEEN FED FOR A LONG period at Hillside Farm, (late Hon. Mr. Work's) will be

Sold by Public Auction,

In ten days after this date, to pay expenses &c., if not claimed by the owner and expenses paid up to that time.
For particulars apply to W. WALL, Hillside Farm, Victoria.
Victoria, Jan. 30, 1862. ja21 10t

AUCTION.

REGULAR SALE DAY.

P. M. BACKUS

WILL SELL

TO-MORROW,

Saturday, Feb'y. 1st, 1862.

At 11 o'clock, A. M.,

AT HIS NEW SALESROOM,

No. 6 Commercial Row, Wharf street,

50 pr 2½-pt Blankets,

3 doz Hearth Rugs,

Velvet Table Covers,

— ps Curtain Damask,

— ps Col'd Flannel,

— ps H. B. Co. Baize,

— doz Eng. Grey Under-Shirts,

— doz Men's Knit Wool Jackets,

— doz Tweed and other Pants,

— doz Wool Shawls,

— doz Ladies' Wool and other Hose,

— ps Mohair,

— ALSO—

GROCERIES:

Molasses Syrup,

Tea, Soap

Candles, etc., etc.

ja20

For Sale,

The schr. "Nanaimo Packet,"

25 TONS REGISTER, WITH BOAT,

25 Anchors, Tackle, and Apparel all complete and ready for sea. This vessel is in perfect order, having been thoroughly overhauled in June last. She will be sold low and on easy terms to responsible parties EDGAR & ADIE.

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NEW GOODS!

The Hudson's Bay Co.

OFFER FOR SALE

THE CARGO OF THE PRUTH,

JUST ARRIVED FROM LONDON,

Consisting in part of the following Goods, viz:

DRY GOODS, ETC.

Flannel, Superfine Blue, White and Scarlet, Welsh ditto, Fancy Baltic ditto, Magenta Check ditto; Blue Serge; Linsey, Fancy and Plaid; Irish Linen; Norwich Lustre Dresses; Assorted Lining; Muslin de Laines of assorted colors; Tartans of various patterns; Gait Voids, Shepherd's ditto; Poplins, viz: Napoleon, Irish, Adelaide, Lavender, Steel, Mauve, Drab, Brown, Black, etc; Black Silk Serge; Ties Black and Fancy Silk; Ladies' Collars and Sleeves; Ladies' Cloth Mantles; Ladies' Cloth Jackets; Girls' Cloth Mantles; Girls' Jackets; Ladies' Balmoral Skirts; Carpeting, Kidderminster, Brussels, etc, etc, etc; Rugs; Cloth, Scotch Cheviot, 6-4 Dark Blue, Pilot ditto, Scarlet ditto, Superfine Black and Blue do; Hosiery, a general assortment; Gent's and Ladies' and Gamblers; Hosiery, Cotton, Linen, and Wool; Youth's Turtin ditto; Boys' Ringwood ditto; Bonnets, Ladies' Winter Straw, Fancy Silk and Fancy Velvet ditto; Colored Roll Jaconets; White Starching Thread, all colored ditto; Gent's and Ladies' Cambric Handkerchiefs; Crimson Tassees for Damask; Croydon Sheetings; Union Table Cloths, Damask Cloths, Blue and Crimson Damask; Black, Drab, Crimson and White Moreen, etc.

CLOTHING, ETC.

Men's Balmoral Caps, Glenargy ditto, Boys' ditto ditto; Men's Blue Pilot Cloth American Jackets; Men's Pilot Cloth Trowsers, Dark Blue ditto; Men's Flannel Trowsers; Men's Flannel Drawers; Men's White Linen Shirts, with collars; Men's Baltic ditto, assorted; Fancy Regatta ditto; Boys' Longcloth Drawers; Ber- lin Wool Jackets; Men's Knickerbockers; Boys' Fancy Tunics; Boys' Tweed Jackets; Boys' Tweed Suits; Assorted Frocks; Men's Lambswool Drawers, Merino Undershirts; Berlin Wool Vests, Inverness Wrappers, etc.

GROCERIES, ETC.

French Capers, Assorted Sauces, Candied Orange and Citron Peel, Curry Powder, Currants, Raisins, Ground Black Pepper, Finest Oil in Casks, best Cocoa Oil, Carolina Rice, Crushed Sugar, Lime Juice, Stone Blue, Boiled Linseed Oil, Paints assorted, Black Lead.

—ALSO—

Hoare & Co's Pale Ale in Hhds, Allsopp's, Bass' and Buss' ditto, in casks, pints and quarts; barrels and quarts; Superior Porter, Buss' ditto in cases, pints and quarts; Crockery and Glassware.

Breakfast, Dinner and Tea Sets, Basins, Bowls, Cups and Saucers, Assorted Dishes in great variety, Basins and Ewers, Furcues, Carafes with Tumblers, Cut Decanters, Ass'd Patterns, Ale, Wine and Champagne Glasses, Cut Tumblers, etc.

HARDWARE, ETC.

Registered Stoves, assorted sizes and patterns; Bronzed and Wire Fenders; Fire Irons; Coal Scuttles; Coal Vases; Scrapers; Sauce Pans; Dust Pans; Knives, Ivory handled Forks; Spoons; Candlesticks; Smith's Vices; T P F Gunpowder, Blasting Powder; Patent Fuse; Assorted Shot; Iron Guttering; Horse Shoes; Mule Shoes; Horse Shoe Nails; Wood-screws, etc, etc, etc.

SUNDRIES.

Traveling Bags, Bridles, Headstalls, Surchingies, Horse Rugs, Leather Panniers, Harness, single and double; Hair Mattresses, single and double; Cocoa Matting; Brackets; Iron Wheelbarrows, Carriage Whips, Riding Whips, Ass'd Perquisites.

—ALSO—

Perambulators for Children,

Hand Carts,

Poney Market Carts,

Phaetons, Waggonettes

Victoria, Vancouver Island, December, 1861.

ja21 1t

PUBLIC NOTICE.

RACE ROCK LIGHTHOUSE.

OFFICE OF LANDS AND WORKS, }
January 29, 1862.

SEALED TENDERS WILL BE RE-

ceived up to the 15th of February next, at the Race Rock Lighthouse, for the supply of provisions at the Race Rock Lighthouse for one year, commencing March 6th, 1862.

Particulars may be ascertained at the above Office. The lowest, or any tender, not necessarily accepted.

Tenders to be endorsed and addressed to "THE LIGHTHOUSE BOARD."

TREASURY, Vancouver Island, }
29th January, 1862.

ALL PERSONS WHO HAVE NOT YET

sent in the Returns required under the "Trades Licenses Act, 1860," due on the 1st inst., are hereby called upon to render the same on or before the 31st instant.

Printed Forms can be obtained at this Office. By order of the Governor.

ALEXANDER WATSON, Acting Treasurer.

ja20 1d

Trades Licenses Act.

THE COURT OF REVISION WILL

hold sittings on

Friday, the 31st January;

Wednesday, the 5th February,

Saturday, 8th February,

At 11 o'clock each day.

WM BROOKE NAYLOR, Sheriff of Vancouver Island.

ja28 1d

THE MOST

Comfortable Room in Town

IS AT THE

STAR AND GARTER HOTEL.

ja18 1t

R. BRODRICK'S

GRAIN AND PRODUCE STORE,

WHARF ST., FOOT OF YATES,

WILL BUY AND SELL

WHEAT, FLOUR, BARLEY, DO, Ground HAY, (Timothy) DO, (California) OATS, BRAN, LARD, BUTTER, EGGS, and CHEESE, ja27

Ex "Retriever."

5000 BEST ENGLISH FIRE BRICK.

For sale by DICKSON, CAMPBELL & CO., ja28 1m Wharf street

MISCELLANEOUS.

Ex "Prince of the Seas."

For Sale by the Undersigned.

34 TONS SWEDISH IRON,

IN LOTS TO SUIT.

ja25 1m ARTHUR FELLOWS,

SEALED TENDERS

WILL BE RECEIVED FOR THE supply of Groceries, Meat and Bread for the Victoria Prison for the period of three months from the 1st February next.

All such Tenders must be addressed to the Commissioner of Police, marked on the outside, "Tenders for Groceries, Meat, and Bread" respectively, and sent on to his office on or before the 31st inst., at 12 o'clock, noon.

POLICE OFFICE, 24th Jan., 1862. ja25

Wines and Liquors.

PHILLIPS, DEYOUNG & CO.,

Importers and Dealers in

Brandies, Wines, Liquors and Ales,

NO. 15, WHARF STREET, NEAR YATES.

Ex Late Arrivals.

RECEIVED AND FOR SALE LOW:

HENNESSY BRANDY—Pale (choice) in qr casks

MARTELL " " Pale (choice) in qr casks

BONNIOT " do do ½ casks,

PELLEVOISIN " do do ½ do

A. CAMUS " do do ½ do

RUM—All kinds.

WHISKY—Scotch and other, in large quantities.

PORT WINES—In cases, choice quality.

SHERRY WINES—In cases, choice quality.

PORT AND SHERRY—In qr casks.

HOLLAND GIN—Superior, in pipes and cases.

OLD TOM GIN—In puncheons and cases.

ALE—100 cases Pale Ale, in fine order.

PORTER—100 cases in fine order.

BITTERS—Of every brand and description.

CLARET WINES—In cases and cases large stock.

CHAMPAGNE WINES—A complete stock of all the favorite brands.

ja24 1m

REMOVAL

—OF—

BRODRICK'S COAL DEPOT

R. BRODRICK BEGS TO INFORM HIS friends and customers that the COAL DEPOT hitherto carried on at St. George's Wharf is this day removed to Messrs. Reid & McDonald's Wharf, generally known as

UNION WHARF,

Where he will continue to supply a superior quality of Dry Seamed Coal.

DELIVERED FREE!

At \$10 per Ton.

Orders left at the PRODUCE STORE, WHARF STREET, foot of Yates street, or at the Office on UNION WHARF, will be promptly attended to.

Entrance to the Wharf between the stores of Dickson, Campbell & Co. and J. J. Southgate & Co. ja21

HAVANA SEGARS

EX

Steamer Cortes and bark W. B. Scranton

LA FLOR DE CABANAS Y CARAJAL, Regalia Imperiales.

LA CADDA, Regalia Britannica.

LA MONTEIRO, Regalia Espanola.

LA ROSA DE GEORGIA, Regalia Britannica.

LA AGUILA RUSIA, Regalia Britannica.

LA FLOR DE CAPERUSA, Regalia Britannica.

LA INGENMDAD, Regalia Britannica.

MANUEL REGNA MEDIA, Regalia Londres.

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FOR SALE IN LOTS TO SUIT, AT

G. SUTRO & CO.

ja24 1w 2p Yates street.

Hay! Hay!

40 TONS WELL-CURED MEADOW

Hay for sale at Colquhoun Farm. Apply to HENRY N. PEERS, ja18 1m Proprietor.

The "Elixir of Life!"

Can be obtained at the

Star and Garter Hotel.

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BEDS!

AT THE

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COAL-OIL LAMPS

A BEAUTIFUL ASSORTMENT,

Just received and for sale by

CURTIS & MOORE, ja20 Druggists.

NOTICE.

PARTIES HAVING POWDER STORED

on board the Hudson's Bay Company's steamer Beaver are requested to have it removed immediately. ja9 1t

HARDWARE!

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